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Security measures in the area bordering Pondicherry.

* 844 *Q.*—Sri N. K. PALANISAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) the steps taken by the Government to protect the lives and properties of the people of this State in the area bordering Pondicherry;

(*b*) whether Police are posted at the enclaves of Pondicherry; and

(*c*) if so, the names of the enclaves protected by the Indian Police?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) *to* (*c*) I regret, for reasons of security, it is not possible to disclose the dispositions of our police forces around the French enclaves in the area bordering Pondicherry. I can however assure the hon. Member that adequate Police arrangements have been made to protect the lives and properties of the people of this State in the areas bordering Pondicherry and the French enclaves near it."

Sri N. K. PALANISAMI :—" இவ்வளவு பெரிய பாதுகாப்பு கொடுக்கப் பட்டிருந்தும் பாக்கம் போல் இன்னும் மற்ற இடங்களிலுள்ள ஜனங்கள் தாக்கப்பட்டிருக்கிறார்கள். ஆதலால் நம் போலீசுக்கு சக்தியில்லை என்று தெரிகிறது. ஆதலால் பாண்டிச்சேரிபக்கத்திலுள்ள தென்னாற்க்காடு ஜில்லாவிலுள்ளவர்களுக்கும் லைசென்சு இல்லாமல் துப்பாக்கி வழங்க சர்க்கார் முயற்சி செய்வார்களா ? "

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I don't think that will solve the problem. That may complicate problems, Sir."

Clash in the areas bordering French Indian Settlements.

* 845 *Q.*—Sri M. KALYANASUNDRAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there was any clash between some goondas in the French Indian Territory and the Armed Police of our State in the border areas of French Indian Settlements on 2nd May 1954; and

(*b*) what steps have been taken by the Government to prevent recurrence of such incidents?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) There was no clash between the goondas in the French Indian territory and the Armed Police of our State in the border areas of French Indian Settlements on 2nd May 1954, but on 1st May 1954, when a Malabar Special Police lorry was returning from Kodukur to Pudukuppam near the French-Chettipet road, the Naick driver noticed a palmyra trunk laid across the road to obstruct his passage. When he was clearing the obstruction with the help of a Police constable who was with him, the villagers of French Chettipet numbering about 300

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began to throw stones on the lorry and the policemen. The vehicle received a number of dents and the Police constable who was with the driver, sustained an injury. After warning, the Police constable fired two rounds, and the crowd dispersed. Two persons are reported to have sustained gun shot wounds.

"(b) Adequate police personnel have been stationed in the area to prevent violation of Indian territory."

Amount distributed out of the Cyclone Relief Fund in Nagapattinam taluk, Tanjore.

*846 Q.—SRI S. RAMALINGAM (on behalf of Sri S. Vadivelu): Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state the amount distributed in Nagapattinam taluk Tanjore district, from the Cyclone Relief Fund? 8-20 a.m.

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" The amount distributed in Nagapattinam taluk, Tanjore district is Rs. 13,919."

SRI A. RATNAM :—" புயல் நிவாரணத்திற்காக ஒதுக்கப்பட்ட பணத்தில் நாகப்பட்டிணம் முதலிய இடங்களுக்கு செலவழிக்கப்பட்ட பணம் எவ்வளவு? ஒவ்வொரு குடும்பத்திற்கும் எவ்வளவு பணம் ஒதுக்கப்பட்டிருக்கிறது என்று அறிய விரும்புகிறேன்."

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Sir, I have no details. This question referred to the amount and so I have given that figure."

Supply of Community Receiver sets in South Arcot district.

* 847 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) the number of Community Receiver sets supplied so far in South Arcot district;

(b) whether any representation has been made by the residents of Aziz Nagar, South Arcot district, for the supply of Community Receiver sets and the reasons for the delay in complying with their request; and

(c) the cost of a Community Receiver set?

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" (a) Ninety-nine (99) battery operated sets and thirty-two (32) mains operated sets have been installed in the South Arcot district (as on 13th March 1954).

"(b) A proposal, for the installation of a battery operated radio set at the above centre was approved in the latter part of November 1953 by Government, on the recommendation of the Police Department. Such sanctions are implemented in their turn. I have received information that the set has started working from April 1954.

"(c) The tentative costs of a battery operated and a mains operated radio sets are fixed at Rs. 350 and Rs. 290, respectively, subject to adjustments after actual installation."